

REMARKS

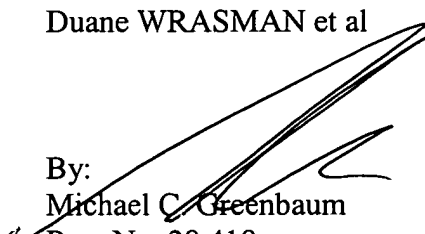
The present Amendment is submitted to conform the specification to the proposed new Fig. 3 set forth in the Request for Drawing Change Approval filed concurrently herewith. The subject matter of both the proposed new Fig. 3 and the present Amendment is supported in the originally filed specification, e.g., on page 2, lines 5 and 6. Therefore, no new matter has been introduced.

In light of the above, the Applicants respectfully submit that the objection to the drawings has been overcome. The Applicants further submit that entry of the present Amendment is appropriate, as the Amendment places the application into better condition for appeal.

Please charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment thereof, to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (114944-00448). If a separate Petition for Extension of Time is not filed concurrently herewith or is inadequate to render the present submission timely, the Applicants respectfully petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render the present submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

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